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Chairwoman Susan Bitter-Smith Arizona Corporation Commission 1300 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Trico Electric Cooperative Docket No. E-01461A-15-0057

Dear Chairman Bitter Smith,

We are writing this letter to you on behalf of AriSEIA's member companies to alert you the activities of Trico Electric Cooperative. In late February Trico filed an outlandish application to eliminate net metering in its service territory while seeking a waiver of Commission rules to do so. While we are staunchly opposed to the proposal, this letter is a reaction to Trico's position that its proposed change is effective immediately and applicable to all customers who sign up for solar after February 28, 2015 despite the fact that the Commission has not approved this exceptionally controversial change. The Trico proposal will likely take many months to resolve itself and the impact of Trico's position that the change is effective immediately will be devastating on AriSEIA's member companies that do business in Trico's service territory.

We respectfully request that the ACC tell Trico that all customers who sign up for solar before the Commission approves a resolution in this matter will be permitted to sign up under the rules in place right now.

There is Commission precedent for this treatment of course as APS tried to effectively shut down the industry during the pendency of its net metering item in 2012-2013 and the Commission rejected this idea and made APS accept contracts under the terms in place prior to the Commission decision. Utilities cannot be permitted to shut down the solar AriSEIA • 2221 W. Lone Cactus Dr. Suite 2, Phoenix, AZ 85027 • 602 559 4769 • ariseia.org

market by simply making an application for a high solar charge or bizarre policy change without any Commission oversight. We are hopeful that you can direct Trico to continue to accept applications and provide net metering service under the utility's traditional net metering tariff that is in place today until such time as the Commission approves a change, if any, in the future.

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